# AHSAHKA WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT (PWS 2180001) SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT FINAL REPORT

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## **Executive Summary**

Under the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1996, all states are required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to assess every source of public drinking water for its relative sensitivity to contaminants regulated by the Act. This assessment is based on a land use inventory of the designated source water assessment area and sensitivity factors associated with the well and aquifer characteristics.

This report, *Source Water Assessment for Ahsahka Water and Sewer District, Idaho*, describes the public drinking water system, the boundaries of the zones of water contribution, and the associated potential contaminant sources located within these boundaries. This assessment should be used as a planning tool, taken into account with local knowledge and concerns, to develop and implement appropriate protection measures for this source. The results should <u>not be</u> used as an absolute measure of risk and they should <u>not be</u> used to undermine public confidence in the water system.

Ahsahka Water and Sewer District drinking water system consists of one active ground water well. The well is located north of the New Clearwater Fish Hatchery, between Highway 7 and the railroad (Ground Water Under Direct Influence (GWUDI) Field Survey, 1995). The system currently serves approximately 85 people through 40 connections.

Final susceptibility scores are derived from equally weighing system construction scores, hydrologic sensitivity scores, and Potential Contaminant/Land Use scores. Therefore, a low rating in one or two categories coupled with a higher rating in other category (ies) results in a final rating of low, moderate, or high susceptibility. With the potential contaminants associated with most urban and heavily agricultural areas, the best score a well can get is moderate. Potential Contaminants/Land Uses are divided into four categories, inorganic contaminants (IOCs, i.e. nitrates, arsenic), volatile organic contaminants (VOCs, i.e. petroleum products), synthetic organic contaminants (SOCs, i.e. pesticides), and microbial contaminants (i.e. bacteria). As different wells can be subject to various contamination settings, separate scores are given for each type of contaminant.

In terms of total susceptibility, the well rated moderate for IOCs, VOCs, SOCs, and microbial contaminants. System construction rated high and hydrologic sensitivity rated moderate for the well. Land use rated moderate for IOCs, VOCs, SOCs, and low for microbials contaminants.

No VOCs, SOCs, or repeats of microbials have ever been detected in the well. The detected IOCs with potential health risks were barium, chromium, nitrate and fluoride, however, concentrations were significantly below maximum contaminant levels (MCLs) as set by EPA. Trace amounts of the IOC sodium was also detected in the water.

This assessment should be used as a basis for determining appropriate new protection measures or reevaluating existing protection efforts. No matter what ranking a source receives, protection is always important. Whether the source is currently located in a "pristine" area or an area with numerous industrial and/or agricultural land uses that require surveillance, the way to ensure good water quality in the future is to act now to protect valuable water supply resources. If the system should need to expand in the future, new well or spring sites should be located in areas with as few potential sources of contamination as possible, and the site should be reserved and protected for this specific use. For the Ahsahka Water and Sewer District, drinking water protection activities should first focus on correcting any deficiencies outlined in the sanitary survey (an inspection conducted every five years with the purpose of determining the physical condition of a water system's components and its capacity). Actions should be taken to keep a 50-foot radius circle clear of all potential contaminants from around the wellheads. Any contaminant spills within the delineation should be carefully monitored and dealt with. As much of the designated protection area is outside the direct jurisdiction of the Ahsahka Water and Sewer District, collaboration and partnerships with state and local agencies, and industry groups should be established and are critical to the success of drinking water protection. In addition, the well should maintain sanitary standards regarding wellhead protection.

Due to the time involved with the movement of ground water, drinking water protection activities should be aimed at long-term management strategies even though these strategies may not yield results in the near term. For assistance in developing protection strategies please contact the Lewiston Regional Office of the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality or the Idaho Rural Water Association.

# SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT FOR AHSAHKA WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT, CLEARWATER COUNTY, IDAHO

#### Section 1. Introduction - Basis for Assessment

The following sections contain information necessary to understand how and why this assessment was conducted. It is important to review this information to understand what the rankings of this assessment mean. Maps showing the delineated source water assessment area and the inventory of significant potential sources of contamination identified within that area are attached. The list of significant potential contaminant source categories and their rankings used to develop the assessment is also included.

#### **Background**

Under the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1996, all states are required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to assess every source of public drinking water for its relative susceptibility to contaminants regulated by the Safe Drinking Water Act. This assessment is based on a land use inventory of the delineated assessment area and sensitivity factors associated with the wells and aquifer characteristics.

#### **Level of Accuracy and Purpose of the Assessment**

Since there are over 2,900 public water sources in Idaho, there is limited time and resources to accomplish the assessments. All assessments must be completed by May of 2003. An in-depth, site-specific investigation of each significant potential source of contamination is not possible. Therefore, this assessment should be used as a planning tool, taken into account with local knowledge and concerns, to develop and implement appropriate protection measures for this source. The results should <u>not be</u> used as an absolute measure of risk and they should <u>not be</u> used to undermine public confidence in the water system.

The ultimate goal of the assessment is to provide data to local communities to develop a protection strategy for their drinking water supply system. The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) recognizes that pollution prevention activities generally require less time and money to implement than treatment of a public water supply system once it has been contaminated. DEQ encourages communities to balance resource protection with economic growth and development. The local community, based on its own needs and limitations, should determine the decision as to the amount and types of information necessary to develop a drinking water protection program. Wellhead or drinking water protection is one facet of a comprehensive growth plan, and it can complement ongoing local planning efforts.

## **Section 2. Conducting the Assessment**

### **General Description of the Source Water Quality**

Ahsahka Water and Sewer District drinking water system consists of one active ground water well. The well is located north of the New Clearwater Fish Hatchery, between Highway 7 and the railroad (GWUDI Field Survey, 1995). The system currently serves approximately 85 people through 40 connections.

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#### **Defining the Zones of Contribution – Delineation**

The delineation process establishes the physical area around a well that will become the focal point of the assessment. The process includes mapping the boundaries of the zone of contribution into time-of-travel (TOT) zones (zones indicating the number of years necessary for a particle of water to reach a well) for water in the aquifer. DEQ contracted with the University of Idaho to perform the delineations using a refined computer model approved by the EPA in determining the 3-year (Zone 1B), 6-year (Zone 2), and 10-year (Zone 3) TOT for water associated with the aquifer of the Clearwater Uplands in the vicinity of the Ahsahka Water and Sewer District wells. The computer model used site specific data, assimilated by the University of Idaho from a variety of sources including operator input, local area well logs, and hydrogeologic reports (detailed below).

#### **Hydrogeologic Setting**

The conceptual hydrogeologic model for the Ahsahka source well, Well 1, is based on interpretation of available well logs and published geologic maps. The source well log indicates water is derived from sediments. The geology is based on the Pullman quadrangle geologic map at a scale of 1:250,000 (Rember and Bennett, 1979). Geology of the area is quite complex with outcrops of basalt of the Columbia River Basalt Group, and crystalline rock of the Idaho Batholith and Pre-Cambrian Belt Supergroup in the area.

Figure 1 shows the location of the source. The ground elevation is approximately 1000 feet above mean sea level (MSL). Discharge from Well 1 is 52 gallons per minute (gpm). Little information is known about the hydrogeology of the area.

Neighboring private wells are used for test points in the WhAEM simulations. Information on test points was obtained from a search of the Idaho Department of Water Resources database available on the internet. The locations of the test points are limited to information supplied on well logs, typically the quarter-quarter section (0.0625 mile<sup>2</sup>). Therefore, the accuracy of the test point elevations and the static water elevations is dependent upon the accuracy of the driller's log and the amount of topographic relief in the quarter-quarter section.

FIGURE 1. Geographic Location of Ahsahka Water and Sewer District STATE OF IDAHO COEUR D'ALENE 50 100 150 Miles CLEARWATER COUNTY LEWISTON IDAHO FALLS POCATELLO TWIN FALLS WELL1 5 Miles

The capture zone delineated herein is based on limited data and must be taken as a best estimate. If more data become available in the future this delineation should be adjusted based on additional modeling incorporating the new data.

The delineated capture zone for Well 1 can best be described as a lobe approximately 3,000 feet long and approximately 1,000 feet wide, which parallels the North Fork Cleawater River (Figure 2).

### **Identifying Potential Sources of Contamination**

A potential source of contamination is defined as any facility or activity that stores, uses, or produces, as a product or by-product, the contaminants regulated under the Safe Drinking Water Act and has a sufficient likelihood of releasing such contaminants at levels that could pose a concern relative to drinking water sources. The goal of the inventory process is to locate and describe those facilities, land uses, and environmental conditions that are potential sources of groundwater contamination. The locations of potential sources of contamination within the delineation areas were obtained by field surveys conducted by DEQ and from available databases.

Land use within the immediate area and the surrounding area of the Ahsahka Water and Sewer District sources contains some urban activity, however most of the delineation exists within undeveloped woodland. The urban activities include two transportation corridors (a railroad and Highway 7) and the New Clearwater Fish Hatchery. In addition, the North Fork Clearwater River was considered as a source of potential contaminants because if a release or spill occurred into it, the groundwater might become contaminated.

It is important to understand that a release may never occur from a potential source of contamination provided they are using best management practices. Many potential sources of contamination are regulated at the federal level, state level, or both to reduce the risk of release. Therefore, when a business, facility, or property is identified as a potential contaminant source, this should not be interpreted to mean that this business, facility, or property is in violation of any local, state, or federal environmental law or regulation. What it does mean is that the <u>potential</u> for contamination exists due to the nature of the business, industry, or operation. There are a number of methods that water systems can use to work cooperatively with potential sources of contamination, including educational visits and inspections of stored materials. Many owners of such facilities may not even be aware that they are located near a public water supply well.

### **Contaminant Source Inventory Process**

A two-phased contaminant inventory of the study area was conducted in November and December, 2002. The first phase involved identifying and documenting potential contaminant sources within the Ahsahka Water and Sewer District source water assessment areas (Figure 2 and Table 1) through the use of computer databases and Geographic Information System (GIS) maps developed by DEQ. The second, or enhanced, phase of the contaminant inventory involved contacting the operator to identify and add any additional potential sources in the area. No additional potential contaminant sources were identified by the system's operator.

The delineated source water assessment areas of the Ahsahka Water and Sewer District wells contain two transportation corridors (Highway 7 and a railroad), the New Clearwater Fish Hatchery, and the North Fork Clearwater River. The highway, river, and railroad sources can contribute leachable contaminants to the aquifer in the event of an accidental spill, release, or flood.

Table 1. Ahsahka Water and Sewer District, Well #1, Potential Contaminant/Land Use Inventory.

Site	Description of Source	TOT¹ Zone	Source of Information	Potential Contaminants <sup>2</sup>
	New Clearwater Fish Hatchery	0-3 YR	GIS Map	IOC, SOC, Microbial
	Highway 7	0-10 YR	GIS Map	IOC, VOC, SOC, Microbial
	North Fork Clearwater River	0-10 YR	GIS Map	IOC, VOC, SOC, Microbial
	Railroad	0-10 YR	GIS Map	IOC, VOC, SOC, Microbial

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>TOT$  = time-of-travel (in years) for a potential contaminant to reach the wellhead

## **Section 3. Susceptibility Analyses**

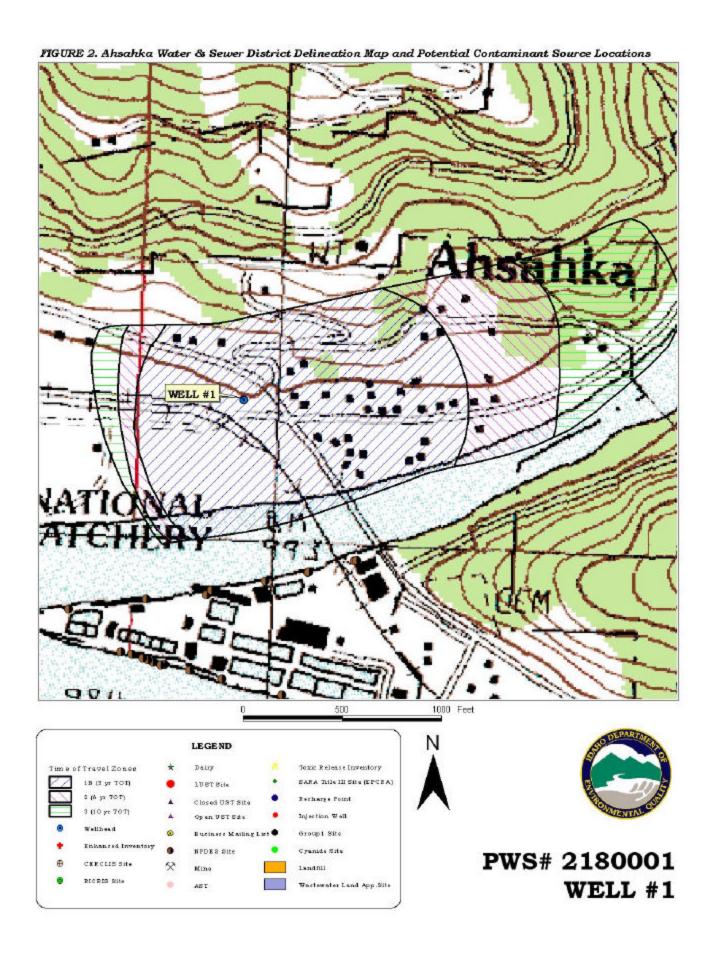
Each well or spring's susceptibility to contamination was ranked as high, moderate, or low risk according to the following considerations: hydrologic characteristics, physical integrity of the well, land use characteristics, and potentially significant contaminant sources. The susceptibility rankings are specific to a particular potential contaminant or category of contaminants. Therefore, a high susceptibility rating relative to one potential contaminant does not mean that the water system is at the same risk for all other potential contaminants. The relative ranking that is derived for each well or spring is a qualitative, screening-level step that, in many cases, uses generalized assumptions and best professional judgement. Appendix A contains the susceptibility analysis worksheet for the system. The following summaries describe the rationale for the susceptibility ranking.

#### **Hydrologic Sensitivity**

The hydrologic sensitivity of a well is dependent upon four factors: the surface soil composition, the material in the vadose zone (between the land surface and the water table), the depth to first ground water, and the presence of a 50-foot thick fine-grained zone (aquitard) above the producing zone of the well. Slowly draining soils such as silt and clay typically are more protective of ground water than coarse-grained soils such as sand and gravel. Similarly, fine-grained sediments in the subsurface and a water depth of more than 300 feet protect the ground water from contamination.

Hydrologic sensitivity rated moderate for Well 1. Soils surrounding the wells are considered poorly- to moderately-drained by the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), positively affecting the score. The score was increased because vadose zone composition is predominantly unsorted river deposits consisting of silt, sand, cobbles, and boulders. In addition, the depth of the water table is only 26 feet below ground surface (bgs), and an aquitard is not present above the producing zone of the well.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> IOC = inorganic chemical, VOC = volatile organic chemical, SOC = synthetic organic chemical



#### **System Construction**

### **Well Construction**

Well construction directly affects the ability of the well to protect the aquifer from contaminants. System construction scores are reduced when information shows that potential contaminants will have a more difficult time reaching the intake of the well. Lower scores imply a system is less vulnerable to contamination. For example, if the well casing and annular seal both extend into a low permeability unit, then the possibility of contamination is reduced and the system construction score goes down. If the highest production interval is more than 100 feet below the water table, then the system is considered to have better buffering capacity. If the wellhead and surface seal are maintained to standards, as outlined in sanitary surveys, then contamination down the well bore is less likely. If the well is protected from surface flooding and is outside the 100-year floodplain, then contamination from surface events is reduced. A sanitary survey was conducted in 2001 for the system.

The well rated high for system construction. It was originally drilled in 1976 and was reconditioned in 1993. The well is approximately 50 feet deep with a 6-inch casing extending 45 feet bgs which has perforations between 32 feet bgs and 45 feet bgs. The drilled substrate consists of unsorted river deposits (sand, silt, cobbles, boulders) from the surface to 45 feet bgs and granite to the bottom of the well at approximately 50 feet bgs. Based on the 2001 sanitary survey, the wellhead and surface seal appear to be in good condition, except that a vent is not mentioned in the report and is assumed to be absent. The well exists above a 100-year floodplain.

The high score is derived from the following: As the well is only approximately 50 feet deep, the highest production comes from less than 100 feet below static water level. The casing does not extend into a low permeability unit. An annular seal, which should extend at least 18 feet bgs and into a low permeability unit, was not mentioned on the well log, and therefore assumed to have not been installed. Although the wellhead and surface seal appear to be maintained and in good condition (Sanitary Survey, 2001), there was no mention of a vent.

To summarize, except for the missing vent, the wellhead seems to be in good condition. Although not a problem to date, due to the shallowness of the well and the high permeability of the materials above its producing zone, a higher potential exists for surface related contaminants to compromise the quality of the groundwater.

Though the well may have been in compliance with standards when it was completed, current PWS well construction standards are more stringent. The Idaho Department of Water Resources *Well Construction Standards Rules* (1993) require all PWSs to follow DEQ standards as well. IDAPA 58.01.08.550 requires that PWSs follow the *Recommended Standards for Water Works* (1997) during construction. These standards include provisions for well screens, pumping tests, and casing thicknesses to name a few. Table 1 of the *Recommended Standards for Water Works* (1997) lists the required steel casing thickness for various diameter wells. A 6-inch casing should be 0.280 inches thick. Because much of this information is unknown, the well was assessed an additional point in the system construction rating.

#### **Potential Contaminant Source and Land Use**

Well 1 rated moderate for IOCs (i.e. nitrates, arsenic), VOCs (i.e. petroleum products), SOCs (i.e. pesticides), and low for microbials. The two transportation corridors (Highway 7 and the railroad), and the North Fork Clearwater River intersect the delineation. The low number and locations of potential contaminant sources within the delineation, as well as the lack of agricultural land, contributed to the moderate and low land use scores.

## **Final Susceptibility Ranking**

An IOC detection above a drinking water standard MCL, any detection of a VOC or SOC, or a detection of total coliform bacteria or fecal coliform bacteria at the wellhead will automatically give a high susceptibility rating to a well despite the land use of the area because a pathway for contamination already exists. Hydrologic sensitivity and system construction scores are heavily weighted in the final scores. Having multiple potential contaminant sources in the 0 to 3-year time of travel zone (Zone 1B) and agricultural land contribute greatly to the overall ranking.

Table 2. Summary of Ahsahka Water and Sewer District Susceptibility Evaluation

		Susceptibility Scores <sup>1</sup>									
Well	Hydrologic Sensitivity	Contaminant Inventory		System Construction	Final Susceptibility Ranking						
		IOC	VOC	SOC	Microbials		IOC	VOC	SOC	Microbials	
Well 1	Н	M	M	M	L	M	M	M	M	M	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>H = High Susceptibility, M = Moderate Susceptibility, L = Low Susceptibility,

IOC = inorganic chemical, VOC = volatile organic chemical, SOC = synthetic organic chemical

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# **Section 4. Options for Drinking Water Protection**

The susceptibility assessment should be used as a basis for determining appropriate new protection measures or re-evaluating existing protection efforts. No matter what the susceptibility ranking a source receives, protection is always important. Whether the source is currently located in a "pristine" area or an area with numerous industrial and/or agricultural land uses that require surveillance, the way to ensure good water quality in the future is to act now to protect valuable water supply resources.

Due to the shallowness of the well, and the high percentage of permeable materials above its producing zone, particular attention should be made to spills or releases within the delineated area (Figure 2), and especially those which may occur on the transportation corridors in the immediate vicinity of the well.

For the Ahsahka Water and Sewer District, drinking water protection activities should first focus on correcting any deficiencies outlined in the sanitary survey. No chemicals should be stored or applied within the 50-foot radius of the wellheads. Collaboration and partnerships with state and local agencies, and industry groups should be established and are critical to the success of drinking water protection. In addition, the well should maintain sanitary standards regarding wellhead protection.

Due to the time involved with the movement of ground water, drinking water protection activities should be aimed at long-term management strategies even though these strategies may not yield results in the near term. A strong public education program should be a primary focus of any drinking water protection plan as the delineation encompasses urban and commercial land uses. Public education topics could include hazardous waste disposal methods and the importance of water conservation to name but a few. There are multiple resources available to help communities implement protection programs, including the Drinking Water Academy of the EPA.

A system must incorporate a variety of strategies in order to develop a comprehensive drinking water protection plan, be they regulatory in nature (i.e. zoning, permitting) or non-regulatory in nature (i.e. good housekeeping, public education, specific best management practices). For assistance in developing protection strategies please contact the Lewiston Regional Office of the DEQ or the Idaho Rural Water Association.

#### **Assistance**

Public water supplies and others may call the following DEQ offices with questions about this assessment and to request assistance with developing and implementing a local protection plan. In addition, draft protection plans may be submitted to the DEQ office for preliminary review and comments.

Lewiston Regional DEO Office (208) 799-4370

State DEQ Office (208) 373-0502

Website: http://www.deq.state.id.us

Water suppliers serving fewer than 10,000 persons may contact Melinda Harper, <a href="mlharper@idahoruralwater.com">mlharper@idahoruralwater.com</a>, Idaho Rural Water Association, at 208-343-7001 for assistance with drinking water protection (formerly wellhead protection) strategies.

# POTENTIAL CONTAMINANT INVENTORY LIST OF ACRONYMS AND DEFINITIONS

<u>AST (Aboveground Storage Tanks)</u> – Sites with aboveground storage tanks.

<u>Business Mailing List</u> – This list contains potential contaminant sites identified through a yellow pages database search of standard industry codes (SIC).

<u>CERCLIS</u> – This includes sites considered for listing under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA). CERCLA, more commonly known as ASuperfund≅ is designed to clean up hazardous waste sites that are on the national priority list (NPL).

<u>Cyanide Site</u> – DEQ permitted and known historical sites/facilities using cyanide.

<u>Dairy</u> – Sites included in the primary contaminant source inventory represent those facilities regulated by Idaho State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) and may range from a few head to several thousand head of milking cows.

<u>Deep Injection Well</u> – Injection wells regulated under the Idaho Department of Water Resources generally for the disposal of stormwater runoff or agricultural field drainage.

**Enhanced Inventory** – Enhanced inventory locations are potential contaminant source sites added by the water system. These can include new sites not captured during the primary contaminant inventory, or corrected locations for sites not properly located during the primary contaminant inventory. Enhanced inventory sites can also include miscellaneous sites added by the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) during the primary contaminant inventory.

Floodplain - This is a coverage of the 100year floodplains.

<u>Group 1 Sites</u> – These are sites that show elevated levels of contaminants and are not within the priority one areas.

<u>Inorganic Priority Area</u> – Priority one areas where greater than 25% of the wells/springs show constituents higher than primary standards or other health standards.

<u>Landfill</u> – Areas of open and closed municipal and non-municipal landfills.

<u>LUST (Leaking Underground Storage Tank)</u> – Potential contaminant source sites associated with leaking underground storage tanks as regulated under RCRA.

<u>Mines and Quarries</u> – Mines and quarries permitted through the Idaho Department of Lands.)

<u>Nitrate Priority Area</u> – Area where greater than 25% of wells/springs show nitrate values above 5 mg/L.

#### NPDES (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System)

 Sites with NPDES permits. The Clean Water Act requires that any discharge of a pollutant to waters of the United States from a point source must be authorized by an NPDES permit.

<u>Organic Priority Areas</u> – These are any areas where greater than 25 % of wells/springs show levels greater than 1% of the primary standard or other health standards.

<u>Recharge Point</u> – This includes active, proposed, and possible recharge sites on the Snake River Plain.

**RICRIS** – Site regulated under **Resource Conservation Recovery Act (RCRA)**. RCRA is commonly associated with the cradle to grave management approach for generation, storage, and disposal of hazardous wastes.

SARA Tier II (Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act Tier II Facilities) — These sites store certain types and amounts of hazardous materials and must be identified under the Community Right to Know Act.

Toxic Release Inventory (TRI) – The toxic release inventory list was developed as part of the Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know (Community Right to Know) Act passed in 1986. The Community Right to Know Act requires the reporting of any release of a chemical found on the TRI list.

<u>UST (Underground Storage Tank)</u> – Potential contaminant source sites associated with underground storage tanks regulated as regulated under RCRA.

<u>Wastewater Land Applications Sites</u> – These are areas where the land application of municipal or industrial wastewater is permitted by DEQ.

<u>Wellheads</u> – These are drinking water well locations regulated under the Safe Drinking Water Act. They are not treated as potential contaminant sources.

**NOTE:** Many of the potential contaminant sources were located using a geocoding program where mailing addresses are used to locate a facility. Field verification of potential contaminant sources is an important element of an enhanced inventory.

Where possible, a list of potential contaminant sites unable to be located with geocoding will be provided to water systems to determine if the potential contaminant sources are located within the source water assessment area.

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# Appendix A

# Ahsahka Water and Sewer District

Susceptibility Analysis Worksheet

## Formulas used to determine Susceptibility Analysis Final Scores

### **Formula for Well Sources**

- 1) VOC/SOC/IOC Final Score = Hydrologic Sensitivity + System Construction + (Potential Contaminant/Land Use x 0.2)
- 2) Microbial Final Score = Hydrologic Sensitivity + System Construction + (Potential Contaminant/Land Use x 0.375)

### Final Susceptibility Scoring:

- 0 5 Low Susceptibility
- 6 12 Moderate Susceptibility
- ≥ 13 High Susceptibility

Ground Water Susceptibility Report	Public Water System Name :	AHSAHKA WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT	Well# : WELL 1
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Public Water System Number 2180001 01/27/2003 10:10:33 AM 1. System Construction SCORE \_\_\_\_\_\_ Drill Date 03/17/2976 Driller Log Available YES Sanitary Survey (if yes, indicate date of last survey) 2001 Well meets IDWR construction standards 1 NO Wellhead and surface seal maintained Casing and annular seal extend to low permeability unit NO Highest production 100 feet below static water level 1 Well located outside the 100 year flood plain Total System Construction Score 4 2. Hydrologic Sensitivity Soils are poorly to moderately drained Ω Vadose zone composed of gravel, fractured rock or unknown 1 Depth to first water > 300 feet NO Aguitard present with > 50 feet cumulative thickness Total Hydrologic Score 4 VOC SOC Microbial TOC 3. Potential Contaminant / Land Use - ZONE 1A Score 0 0 RANGELAND, WOODLAND, BASALT 0 Land Use Zone 1A Farm chemical use high NO IOC, VOC, SOC, or Microbial sources in Zone 1A NO NO NO NO NO Total Potential Contaminant Source/Land Use Score - Zone 1A 0 0 Potential Contaminant / Land Use - ZONE 1B Contaminant sources present (Number of Sources) 3 (Score = # Sources X 2 ) 8 Points Maximum Sources of Class II or III leacheable contaminants or 3 3 4 Points Maximum 3 Zone 1B contains or intercepts a Group 1 Area 0 Less Than 25% Agricultural Land Ω Land use Zone 1B 0 11 9 Total Potential Contaminant Source / Land Use Score - Zone 1B Potential Contaminant / Land Use - ZONE II YES YES Contaminant Sources Present Sources of Class II or III leacheable contaminants or 1 1 1 Land Use Zone II Less than 25% Agricultural Land 0 Potential Contaminant Source / Land Use Score - Zone II Potential Contaminant / Land Use - ZONE III Contaminant Source Present YES 1 1 1 Sources of Class II or III leacheable contaminants or YES 1 1 Is there irrigated agricultural lands that occupy > 50% of NO Total Potential Contaminant Source / Land Use Score - Zone III Cumulative Potential Contaminant / Land Use Score 11 11 4. Final Susceptibility Source Score 11 5. Final Well Ranking